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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to a seat in the House of Representatives for the District of Columbia.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

February 25, 2009

Ms. Murkowski (for herself and Mr. Byrd) introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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- 1 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
- 2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-
- 3 thirds of each House concurring therein),
- 4 SECTION 1. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.
- 5 The following article is proposed as an amendment
- 6 to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be
- 7 valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitu-
- 8 tion when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of

- 1 the several States within seven years after the date of its
- 2 submission by the Congress:
- 3 "ARTICLE —
- 4 "Section 1. The people of the District constituting
- 5 the seat of Government of the United States shall elect
- 6 one representative to the House of Representatives who
- 7 is a resident of that District. The representative so elected
- 8 shall have the same rights, privileges, and obligations as
- 9 a Representative from a State.
- "Section 2. Congress shall have the power to en-
- 11 force this article by appropriate legislation.".

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